

PROFILE

City of Arlington

The City of Arlington is located in Snohomish County approximately 10 miles north of the City of Everett and 41 miles north of the City of Seattle. Interstate 5 lies on the west side of the City, the City of Marysville to the south and the Tulalip Indian Reservation to the southwest. The City and the immediate area is primarily suburban and rural residential with supporting retail and commercial enterprises. Light industrial and manufacturing business are located in the southern portions of the City and at the Arlington Airport, which is owned by the City.

Arlington was incorporated as a city in 1903. Although always a distinctly separate and independent community, Arlington, along with the City of Marysville immediately to the south, has served as a northern suburb of Everett for many years. Both cities are situated along Interstate 5, the main north-south highway artery of western Washington and the West Coast.

The City has experienced continued growth over the last twenty years, increasing population by over 450% since 1980. In 2010, the City's official population was 17,230. People and businesses are drawn to the area by the availability of suitable property and accessibility to water and sewer services. With the City's proximity to the population centers of Everett and Seattle, continued growth of this area is expected.

Our Vision

The City of Arlington is a community of vibrant businesses and a home for families that combines the best of sustainable development with the highest quality of life in the region. It is a place where the natural world is honored and respected while high value jobs and businesses are encouraged to prosper. The City is recognized throughout the State as the best example of how to preserve the past in concert with preparing for the change inherent in the future. As the vision evolves, the Arlington brand, or identity becomes recognized for its unique ability to set the City apart as a model of civility and community harmony.

THE SETTING

Arlington is located where the north and south forks of the Stillaguamish River join. The City's western edge adjoins the Stillaguamish River Valley, and its eastern side looks toward the Cascade foothills.

THE ECONOMY

Arlington's future depends on its economic base keeping pace with other development. Citizens thrive when jobs are available and the necessary amenities are in place to improve their quality of life. To pay for this quality of life, our retail base must be secure and growing. It also must be able to pay for the infrastructure needed to fuel industrial growth.

THE SOCIAL FABRIC

Citizens establish the City's values, sense of place, and quality of life. In return they need cultural opportunities, recreational activities, educational resources, and entertainment for a full life.

MOBILITY

Our goal must be to provide mobility within the City and access to our county, state and federal transportation system.

HOUSING

Arlington values its neighborhoods and hopes to pass on these values as new developments are built. We recognize the need to provide housing for all income ranges.

SUMMARY

Because of Arlington's proximity to population centers and the freeway, future growth is inevitable, but not as a bedroom community. Arlington will continue to have a small town identity with an expanding airport, medical community, employment base and a pride that most small towns seldom experience. Above all, Arlington is a caring community.

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